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FROM

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CHIEF PRESIDENCY MAGISTRATE;

To

THE HONORABLE J. B. RICHEY, C.S.I.,
ACTING CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
Judicial Department.

mbay, Chief Presidency Magistrate's Court,
20th April 1885.

SIR,

I have the honor to transmit, for the information of His Excellency the Governor in Council, the accompanying Statements marked A. to J., showing the state of crime in the City of Bombay during the year 1884 as reported by the Executive Police, as also the business before the Presidency Magistrates' Courts during the same period.

2. It will be seen that 37,495 persons were charged in the Magistrates' Courts with the various offences noted in the accompanying returns.

For disposal in 1884—37,495 including 52 persons whose cases remained undisposed of at the close of the year 1883.	Convicted.	Acquitted, withdrawn and dismissed for want of evidence.
High Court	44	7
By Presidency Magistrates...	30,235	7,172
Convicted	30,279	7,179
Acquitted	*7,179	
Remanded	†37	
Total in 1884 ...	37,495	
Total in 1883 ...	40,394	
Decrease ...	2,899	

3. As shown in the margin there is a decrease of 2,899 persons charged in 1884 as compared with the returns for 1883. During that year 40,394 persons were placed or summoned before the several Magistrates' Courts.

* Including 3 persons transferred for trial to the Court of the Magistrate at Puna.
Do. 4 do. do. Bhávnagar.
Do. 1 do. do. Chiplun.
Do. 2 do. do. Mangalore.
Do. 1 do. do. Ahmedabad.
Do. 1 do. do. Uran.
Do. 1 do. do. Násik.
Do. 1 do. do. Benares.
Do. 1 do. do. Hyderabad (Sind.)
Do. 1 do. do. Political Agent, Rewa Kántha.
Do. 2 do. do. do. Indore.
Do. 1 do. do. do. Cutch.
Do. 2 sent to the Lunatic Asylum.
Do. 2 who died before trial.
† Including 1 person whose case remained undisposed of by the High Court.

4. In the offences noticed below there was a decrease chiefly under the heads "Causing hurt," "Theft," "Possession of stolen property," "Acts dangerous to life or safety," "Disorderly or indecent behaviour in public streets," "Nuisance," "Refusal of duty on board ship", and "Drunkenness":—

Attempt at murder...	1
Causing hurt	298
Theft	140
Cheating	22
Criminal breach of trust	32
Possession of stolen property	206
Assaulting and resisting Police officers	11
Defamation	14
Offences relating to weights and measures	58
Dishonest misappropriation of property	2
Lurking with intent to steal, &c.	30
Acts dangerous to life or safety	176
Causing death by negligence	2
Breach of Tramway Act	10
Disorderly or indecent behaviour in public streets ...	595
Negligently using furnaces in such a way that smoke arising therefrom was not consumed	3
Nuisances under Police and Municipal Acts and Indian Penal Code	1,709
Vagrants	20
Refusal of duty on board ships, &c.	126
Offences under the Railway Acts	29
Selling liquor, &c., without license	8
Breach of Arms Act	5
Offences relating to boatmen	2
Offences under the Port Acts	54
Breach of Vaccination Act	85
Breach of Stamp Act	4
Breach of Sea and Land Customs Act	3
Breach of Artificers' Act	2
Breach of Lunatics' Act	1
Drunkenness	1,261

5. The decrease in "Nuisance" cases is attributable to fewer hawkers and petty salesmen having been placed before the Magistrates during the past year for obstructing public thoroughfares by exposing their articles for sale, the result, I believe, of increased accommodation for these petty traders in the several markets of the city and of stricter supervision by the Police. Fewer persons have also been charged with committing nuisance on the foreshore and the vacant ground belonging to the Port Trustees, and this, I think, is owing to an increase of public latrines.

6. There was an increase in the offences noticed below:—

Murder...	1
Causing grievous hurt	17
Kidnapping and abduction	19
Adultery and enticing away married women ...	16
Robbery	2
House-breaking	20
Forgery and possessing or using as genuine forged documents	6
Assault...	886
Offences relating to coin	11
Gambling	50
Criminal intimidation and using abusive language, &c....	51
Attempt to commit suicide	4
Offences under the Opium Act	2
Mischief	36
Breach of Mutiny Act	2
Criminal or house-trespass	8
Exposing newly-born children	3
Abusing and torturing animals...	356
Municipal offences	188
Offences relating to drivers of hack conveyances ...	193
Breach of Contagious Diseases Act	60
Breach of Post Office Act	13
Breach of Distress Act	6
Breach of Jails Act...	1
Breach of Gas Light Act	1
Breach of Passengers' Act	3
Breach of Tobacco Act	2
Breach of Factory Act	1

Years.	Prisoners.
1880	27,706
1881	31,399
1882	38,657
1883	40,394
1884	37,495

Persons charged under the Municipal Acts III. of 1872 and IV. of 1878.

Years.	Prisoners.
1884	5,772
1883	5,584
Increase ...	188

As shown in Statement A., Breach of Special laws.

Furious and negligent driving in public streets.

Years.	Prisoners.
1884	240
1883	327
Decrease ...	87

Included in the offences of Public Nuisance in Statement A., Class I.

Offences under the Public Conveyance Act.

Years.	Prisoners.
1884	3,142
1883	2,949
Increase ...	193

As shown in Statement A., Breach of Special laws.

Cheating.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1884	99	123
1883	107	145
Decrease ...	8	22

As shown in Statement A., Class III.

7. The statement in the margin shows the total number of persons brought before the Magistrates' Courts from 1880 to 1884.

8. There is an increase as compared with 1883 in the number of persons summoned before the Courts in 1884 by the Municipal Department. In 1883 there were 5,584 persons charged with breaches of the Municipal laws against 5,772 in 1884, being an increase in the latter year of 188. I would again remark that the Municipal officers discharge their duties in an efficient and considerate manner.

9. Under this head there is again a decrease (of 87) in the number of persons brought before the Courts in 1884 as compared with 1883. Of the 240 persons charged with this offence during the past year, 218 were convicted. The others were acquitted and the charges against some were dismissed for want of evidence.

10. But there is an increase in the number of persons charged with offences under the Public Conveyance Act. Of the 3,142 persons so charged 3,047 were convicted and the rest were acquitted or discharged.

11. There is a decrease in the number of persons charged with the offence of cheating as compared with the previous year. Twenty-seven were convicted by the Magistrates for this offence in 1884. The others were acquitted or discharged.

Criminal Breach of Trust.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1884	*462	424
1883	453	456
Increase ...	9	...
Decrease ...	...	32

As shown in Statement A, Class III.

* Including 51 undetected cases.

12. There were 424 persons charged with the offence of criminal breach of trust during the past year against 456 in 1883, being a decrease of thirty-two in 1884. Of these, 189 were, on conviction, imprisoned or fined by the Magistrates, two were convicted and sentenced by the High Court, and two were transferred to the Magistrate of Mangalore. Against the remaining 231 persons convictions were not recorded, owing mostly to the inability of the complainants to produce the necessary evidence.

13. I would refer Government to my letter to their address, No. 982 of the 11th December 1880, in which I have dwelt at some length on the procedure of the Presidency Magistrates in respect of the offences of cheating and criminal breach of trust.

14. A decrease of 206 is shown under this head in 1884 as compared with 1883. Of the 517 persons charged, besides two persons against whom charges were pending at the close of 1883, 422 were convicted by the Magistrates, eighty-eight were acquitted, the cases against three were pending at the close of the year, and six persons were transferred one each to the Courts of the Magistrates at Puna, Uran, Ahmedabad, Násik, Benares, and Hyderabad (Sind).

Possession of Stolen Property.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1884	434	517
1883	585	723
Decrease ...	151	206

As shown in Statement A., Class III.

15. It is gratifying to see a large decrease under this head. Of the 181 seamen charged before the Courts in 1884 against 307 in 1883, 148 were punished by the Magistrates, twenty-one were acquitted, and, in some of the other cases, the men consented to return to their work and the complaints were withdrawn.

Refusal of duty on board ship, &c.

Years.	Prisoners.
1884	181
1883	307
Decrease ...	126

As shown in Statement A., Breach of Special laws.

16. From the returns now forwarded to Government it will be seen that of 37,495 persons charged with the various offences noticed (including fifty-two persons under remand at the close of 1883), forty-four were convicted and six acquitted by the High Court. To one was tendered a pardon under Section 338 of Act X. of 1882 and one was awaiting trial by that tribunal at the close of 1884. The Presidency Magistrates convicted 30,235 and acquitted or discharged 7,172 persons. The dismissal of many of the cases by the Magistrates was owing to the complainants, after taking out summonses, failing to appear when the cases were called on for hearing.

17. In a few cases the complainants were ordered to pay sums of money as amends or compensation for having unnecessarily or vexatiously caused persons to be placed before the Courts. During the past year there were two such cases, the compensation amounting to Rs. 65 against Rs. 28 in 1883.

18. The convictions before the High Court in 1884 were 88 per cent. against 70 per cent. in 1883.

19. Before the Magistrates the convictions were, during the past year, 93 against 94 per cent. in 1883. In this calculation complaints which have been withdrawn or which have been dismissed because the prosecutors refused to offer further evidence have not been included.

20. The proportion of convictions obtained in 1884 in cases brought before the Courts by the Executive Police is 96 against 97 per cent. during the previous year. The Police, I am of opinion, continue to perform their responsible duties with their usual zeal, care, and discrimination.

* Murder.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1884	*9	11
1883	9	10
Increase ...	...	1

As shown in Statement A., Class II.

* Including one undetected case and one case which was transferred to the Political Agent, Rewa Kántha.

21. Compared with 1883 the number of persons charged with murder in 1884 shows an increase in the latter year of one. There were eight cases in which eleven persons were implicated.

22. In one of these cases a Hindu washerman murdered his wife with a sickle inflicting thirty-seven wounds on various parts of her body. The woman was pregnant at the time of her death; and the evidence went further to show that the couple led a life of bitter contention. The prisoner was convicted at the High Court and sentenced to death.

23. In the other case a Hindu deprived a lad of 5 years, a distant relative of his, of his life for the sake of a silver waistchain valued at Rs. 8. It appears he took the boy to a liquor-shop where, after treating him to some "Faini" (country liquor), he stripped him of the chain and drowned him in a well in the compound of a house in Ganeshwádi. The accused was convicted and sentenced by the High Court to be hanged.

24. In the third case a native of Persia was charged with the double murder of a Mahomedan merchant and his wife. It appears from the evidence that the deceased woman had been betrothed to the accused, and that the marriage was to have taken place on condition that the man would visit Kerbella. He did so, but on his return he found that the woman had, in his absence, been married to another person. The accused was convicted and the presiding Judge, Mr. Justice Hart, sentenced him to death.

25. In the fourth case a Hindu tent-lascar employed in the Government House at Parel was convicted at the High Court of murdering his wife, a girl of fifteen. The husband and wife do not appear to have lived happily together. The man was sentenced to transportation for life.

26. The fifth case is that of a Brahmin who was charged with drowning a boy in a quarry-hole near the Arthur Road. On examination it appeared that the accused was of unsound mind, and consequently incapable of making a defence. The case was reported to Government and the accused was afterwards sent to the Lunatic Asylum at Colába.*

* Government Resolution No. 3525, dated 16th March 1884.

27. In the sixth case a Hindu was charged before me with murder. The man was arrested in Bombay on suspicion as being similar to a person described in a hand-bill issued by the Superintendent of Police, Madura District. On further enquiries being made it appeared that he was not the person described in the hand-bill and he was at once discharged.

28. The seventh case refers to a charge of murder preferred against four Mahomedans, but the charge was pending investigation before one of the Magistrates at the close of the year.

29. The case which was similarly pending at the close of 1883 was tried at the first Sessions of Her Majesty's High Court in February 1884. Two Hindus stood charged with having murdered another Hindu by drowning him in the Nácoda's Tank, the object being to obtain possession of some gold and

silver ornaments of the aggregate value of Rs. 65 which he had on his person. One of the prisoners was tendered a pardon under section 338 of Act X of 1882, and the other was convicted and sentenced to transportation for life.

Culpable Homicide not amounting to Murder.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1884	1	1
1883	1	1

As shown in Statement A., Class II.

30. As in 1883 so in 1884 there was only one case under this head. The accused was tried by the High Court and sentenced to three years' rigorous imprisonment in the House of Correction.

Causing Grievous Hurt.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1884	44	60
1883	31	43
Increase ...	13	17

As shown in Statement A., Class II.

31. For the offence of causing grievous hurt there is, in 1884, an increase of 17 persons as compared with 1883. Of the 60 persons so charged in 1884, seven were convicted by the High Court and twenty-nine by the Magistrates; some of the rest were acquitted and the charges against others dismissed.

Causing Hurt.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1884	*148	195
1883	350	493
Decrease ...	202	298

As shown in Statement A., Class II.
*Including 3 undetected cases.

32. There is again a large decrease in the number of persons brought before the Courts for causing hurt in 1884 as compared with the previous year. Of the 195 persons charged with this offence during the past year, 160 were convicted by the Magistrates. Some of the remainder were acquitted, and the other cases were withdrawn or dismissed.

33. For the offences noticed in the margin, there is an increase of nineteen in the number of persons charged in 1884 as compared with the previous year. Seven persons were convicted by the Magistrates and fifteen acquitted, and two of the cases were dismissed for want of evidence. Two were transferred to the Political Agent, Indore, and one to the Magistrate at Puna for trial.

Kidnapping and Abduction.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1884	19	27
1883	6	8
Increase ...	13	19

As shown in Statement A., Class II.

Adultery and enticing away married women, &c.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1884	114	134
1883	96	118
Increase ...	18	16

As shown in Statement A., Class II.

34. As compared with 1883 there is an increase in the year under review in the number of persons charged with adultery and enticing away married women. Nineteen of the 134 persons charged with this offence were convicted by the Magistrates and the rest were acquitted or discharged.

Abusing and torturing animals.

Years.	Prisoners.
1884	3,646
1883	3,290
Increase ...	356

Statement A., Class IV., included in Miscellaneous offences.

35. There is an increase under this head, 3,646 persons having been charged with the offence in 1884 against 3,290 in 1883. In all the cases except sixteen the parties were convicted and punished. The sum of Rs. 3,995, being a moiety of the fines inflicted, was paid to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Theft above Rs. 50.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1884	*406	201
1883	312	174
Increase ...	94	27

Statement A., Class III., included in the offence of Ordinary Theft.

* Including 223 undetected cases.

36. Of thefts above Rs. 50 there is an increase in 1884 in the number of persons charged as shown in the margin. 123 persons were convicted by the Magistrates in 1884 and three, being old offenders, were sent up to the High Court, where they were convicted. Of the remainder, four were transferred for trial to the Magistrate at Bhavnagar, one to the Magistrate at Chiplun, and the rest were acquitted or discharged.

37. But there is a decrease in the offence of theft of property of the value of Rs. 50 and below, as also a decrease in the number of offenders. Seven of these being habitual offenders were committed to the High Court for trial and six of them were convicted. 1,220 persons were punished and 350 acquitted or discharged by the Magistrates. The case against one person was pending at the High Court at the close of the year 1884, and one prisoner died before trial. These cases include petty thefts, often of the most trifling value.

Theft of Rs. 50 and below Rs. 50.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1884	*2,379	1,576
1883	2,579	1,743
Decrease ...	200	167

Statement A., Class III., included in the offence of Ordinary Theft.

* Including 894 undetected cases.

House-breaking.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1884	*92	65
1883	77	45
Increase ...	15	20

As shown in Statement A., Class III.

* Including 39 undetected cases.

38. This head shows an increase in 1884 of twenty in the number of offenders and an increase of fifteen in the number of offences. Fifty-one persons were punished and ten acquitted by the Magistrates, while six were convicted by the High Court.

Forgery and possessing or using as genuine forged documents.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1884	1	7
1883	2	1
Decrease ..	1	...
Increase ...	...	6

As shown in Statement A., Class I.

39. For forgery and possessing or using as genuine forged documents, seven persons were charged before one of the Magistrates during the past year against one in the year preceding. They were discharged. The prisoner whose case was under remand at the High Court at the close of 1883 was convicted of being in fraudulent possession of forged documents and sentenced to seven years' ransportation.

False evidence in judicial proceedings.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1884	1	1
1883	1	1

As shown in Statement A., Class I.

40. As in 1883 so in 1884 only one person was charged with giving false evidence in a judicial proceeding. This was a Mahomedan female, who was alleged to have committed perjury in a case before the High Court. She was committed for trial to that tribunal and there acquitted.

Defamation.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1884	19	29
1883	27	43
Decrease ...	8	14

As shown in Statement A., Class II.

41. There were twenty-nine persons charged with the offence of defamation during the past year, being fourteen less than the preceding year. Five were convicted and punished and twenty-four acquitted or discharged by the Magistrates.

Offences relating to Coin.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1884	*15	15
1883	5	4
Increase	10	11

As shown in Statement A., Class I.

* Including 2 undetected cases.

42. From these returns it will be seen that fifteen persons were placed before the Courts in 1884 for offences relating to coinage, or eleven more than the preceding year. Nine of these were convicted and punished and six acquitted by the Magistrates.

Disorderly and indecent behaviour in public streets.

Years.	Prisoners.
1884	3,620
1883	4,215
Decrease ...	595

As shown in Statement A., Class I.

43. In the number of persons charged in 1884 with disorderly behaviour in the public streets there is a decrease as compared with 1883. 3,580 persons were convicted and punished by the Magistrates in 1884 and forty were discharged.

Drunkenness.

Years.	Prisoners.
1884	5,853
1883	7,114
Decrease ..	1,261

As shown in Statement A., Class II.

44. A decrease of 1,261 is also shown in the number of persons placed before the Courts for drunkenness during the past year as compared with 1883. Of the 5,853 persons so charged, 356, including three females, were Europeans and 486 Eurasians and Native Christians including seven females. Most of the others were Hindus and Mahomedans, and a few Parsis.

45. The decrease in cases of drunkenness I am inclined to attribute to the cheapness of food and the general prosperity of the lower classes of natives.

Assaulting Police Officers.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners
1884	14	19
1883	22	30
Decrease ...	8	11

As shown in Statement A., Class I., included in Resisting, &c., Public Servants.

46. There is a decrease of eleven in the number of persons charged in 1884 with the offence of assaulting and resisting Police Officers, as compared with the preceding year. Sixteen persons so charged were convicted and punished by the Magistrates and three were acquitted.

47. The statement given below shows the communities to which the offenders belonged :—

Years.	Caste.														
	Europeans.		Indo-Britons and Native Christians.		Hindus.		Mahomedans.		Pársis.		Others and Unknown.		Total.		Grand Total.
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	
1884..	843	19	1,149	45	20,195	1,956	10,986	681	905	106	547	59	34,625	2,866	37,491
1883..	937	17	1,303	71	21,733	2,348	11,550	818	1,099	52	392	74	37,014	3,380	40,394
Increase ..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	54	155	..	..	..	..
Decrease ..	94	..	154	26	1,538	392	564	137	194	..	..	15	2,389	514	2,903

48. It is satisfactory to find that there is again a decrease in the number of Europeans brought before the Courts in 1884 as compared with 1883.

Coroner's Inquests.

Years.	Numbers.
1884	417
1883	435
Decrease ...	18

49. The return received from the Coroner and herewith forwarded shows a decrease of eighteen in the number of inquests held in 1884 as compared with 1883.

50. During 1884, eighteen appeals were presented against over-assessment of house property, &c., by the Municipal Commissioner. Of these sixteen were dismissed, one was affirmed, and one was pending at the close of the year. Of the ninety-nine appeals which were pending at the close of 1883, four were affirmed or allowed and the rest were withdrawn.

51. There is a decrease in the number of juvenile offenders placed before the Courts. During the past year 735 juveniles were dealt with by the Magistrates against 893 in 1883. From Statement D. it will be seen that 709 of them were convicted and twenty-six acquitted by the Magistrates, 164 of these criminals were imprisoned, fifty were sent to the David Sassoon Reformatory, twenty-six were flogged, 330 were fined, 134 were admonished and discharged, and five were released on their fathers standing surety for their good behaviour.

52. It is somewhat satisfactory to find that there is again a decrease in the number of juvenile offenders who were charged with theft, 161 having been convicted of that offence in the past year against 185 in 1883.

Computed value of property stolen.

Years.	Amount.
	Rs. a. p.
1884	1,52,100 7 11
1883	1,04,537 10 8
Increase ...	47,562 13 3

53. From the present returns it appears that property of the alleged value of Rs. 1,52,100-7-11 was stolen during the year 1884, being an increase of Rs. 47,562-13-3 as compared with 1883.

Computed value of property recovered.

Years.	Amount.
	Rs. a. p.
1884	76,978 14 8
1883	47,872 2 1
Increase ...	29,106 12 7

54. The value of the above property recovered is Rs. 76,978-14-8 or 51 per cent.

55. The alleged value of stolen property not traced by the Police and in which the persons implicated have not been detected is Rs. 71,985-10-5. This sum is included in the aggregate amount of property said to have been stolen.

56. Property of the value of Rs. 13,809-10-6 is stated to have been recovered by the Police in undetected cases of theft and house-breaking.

Fires.

Years.	Number.	Amount of property destroyed.
		Rs. a. p.
1884	38	3,94,944 0 0
1883	44	6,04,963 6 0
Decrease ...	6	2,10,019 6 0

57. From Statement G. received from the Commissioner of Police, it will be seen that thirty-eight fires occurred in this city during the past year and that there is a decrease of Rs. 2,10,019-6-0 in the value of the property destroyed by fire in 1884 as compared with the preceding year.

58. Forty-four cases were committed by the Magistrates for trial before the Criminal Sessions of Her Majesty's High Court in 1884 against forty-one cases in 1883.

59. One suit was filed in the Court of the Revenue Judge during the past year, which stood over at the close of the year, pending the decision of a similar suit called for by the High Court in 1882. One suit of 1883 was disposed of by me on the 19th November 1884 in favour of the plaintiff, who was awarded costs.

60. In the column in Statement J. headed "Six months and under" the previous convictions against many of the culprits were for petty offences—such as drunkenness, disorderly behaviour, assault, gambling, &c. In other cases under column headed "Two years and under," the Magistrates, when public convenience required it, have themselves dealt with the offenders by awarding the heaviest punishment they are by law empowered to inflict.

61. In accordance with the usual practice, this report was sent for the perusal of the Commissioner of Police. That officer has no remarks to offer, but wishes mention to be made of the harmony and good feeling with which the Magistrates and his Department work together.

62. In conclusion, it remains for me to state that, with the exception of a few cases, which were unavoidably under remand at the close of the past year, there were no arrears in the Magistrates' Courts.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

C. P. COOPER,
Chief Presidency Magistrate

STATEMENT A.

STATEMENT A.

Statement of Offences reported and of persons tried, convicted and acquitted in the City of Bombay, exhibiting the number of persons committed to the Sessions of the High Court, the number convicted and acquitted by the High Court, and by the Presidency Magistrates, and the computed value of property stolen and recovered during the year 1884.

1	2	3	4				5	5A	6	7	8		9				10	11				12	13	14
			Pending in the year 1883.								Convicted.		Acquitted.					Remaining under trial.						
			Before High Court.		Before Magistrates.									By Magistrates.				Before High Court.		Before Magistrates.				
Serial Number.	Laws under which punishable.	Classification of Crimes and Offences.	Number of Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Number of Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Number of Offences reported during the year.	Number of Offences reported in which Persons were brought to trial during the year.	Number of persons under trial during the year.	Committed to Sessions.	By High Court.	By Magistrates.	By High Court.	Acquitted.	Withdrawn and dismissed for want of evidence.	Total.	Died, escaped and transferred.	Number of Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Number of Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Computed Value of Property stolen.	Computed Value of Property recovered.	Remarks.
		CLASS I.																						
		Offences against the State, the Public and Justice.																						
	Indian Penal Code.	*Against the State.*																						
1	133 to 238, and Section 257 of Shipping Act of 1854.	Abetment of assault on superior officers and insubordination by officers, soldiers and sailors, and harbouring deserters.	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	... ..	.....	
		Total in 1884 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1883 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Increase ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Decrease ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Relating to Coin, Stamps, Weights and Measures.																						
2	231 to 238	Conterfeiting coin	..	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	.....	.....	
3	246 to 249	Diminishing or altering coin ...	..	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
4	239 to 243 and 250 to 254.	Passing or possessing bad or altered coin.	...	...	...	...	14	12	14	...	..	8	...	6	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
5	264 to 267 and Act IV of 1882.	Making, using, or possessing false weights and measures.	...	...	...	...	15	15	15	...	...	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1884 ...	...	...	...	...	30	28	30	...	...	24	...	6	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	.....	... ..	
		Total in 1883 ...	...	...	...	...	78	77	77	...	...	73	...	4	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Increase ...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	... ..	...	
		Decrease ...	...	...	...	...	48	49	47	...	...	49	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	

		Against Public Justice.																					
6	109, 115, 117 to 119 and Police Act.	Substantive abetments, and other kinds of abetments.	...	...	1	2	57	57	79	...	...	38	...	40	*2	42	†1	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
7	140, 170, 171 ...	Personating Public servant or soldier.	...	...	...	...	3	3	4	...	...	4	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
8	176, 177, 181, 182, 202, 203.	Omitting to give information of offence or giving false information.	...	..	1	1	14	14	14	...	...	11	...	3	1	4	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
9	183 to 187, 189, 190 and Police Act.	Resisting, obstructing or omitting to assist Public servant.	...	...	...	...	18	18	23	...	...	20	...	3	..	3	...	...	...	..	...	.....	.....
10	188, C. P. C. and Police Act.	Disobedience of lawful order, causing injury, and neglecting to show cause of disobedience of lawful order.	...	...	...	...	45	45	45	...	...	9	...	7	29	36	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
11	212, 216	Harboring an offender	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
12	213 to 215	Taking gift to screen offender ...	...	...	...	...	3	3	3	...	...	3	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
13	224 to 226	Resistance to lawful apprehension and rescue or escape from lawful custody or transportation.	...	...	...	...	4	4	4	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
14	227	Violation of condition of remission of punishment.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
15	172 to 175 and 178 to 180, and Police Act.	Absconding from, avoiding or disobeying summons or notice or order to attend or produce, or refusing to answer or sign.	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
		Total in 1884 ...	...	...	2	3	145	145	173	...	...	90	...	53	32	85	1	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
		Total in 1883 ...	1	1	...	..	204	204	241	2	1	109	2	63	64	127	...	...	...	2	3	.....	.....
		Increase ...	...	...	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	..	...	.....	.....
		Decrease ...	1	1	...	...	59	59	68	2	1	19	2	10	32	42	...	...	...	2	3	.....	.....
		By Public Servant.																					
16	161 to 164, and Police Act.	Taking valuable thing by or obtaining a gratification to influence Public Servant.	...	...	...	...	7	7	7	2	...	3	2	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
17	Police Act	Breach of Police Act by Police Officers.	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	.....	.....
		Total in 1884 ...	...	...	...	...	8	8	8	2	...	4	2	2	...	2	..	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
		Total in 1883 ...	...	...	...	...	11	11	11	...	...	10	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
		Increase ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	2	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
		Decrease ...	...	...	...	...	3	3	3	...	...	6	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	..	.....	.....

* One prisoner charged with abetment of murder was endered a pardon under Sec. 337 C. P. Code.

† The prisoner was transferred to the Magistrate of Puna for trial.

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STATEMENT A—*continued.*

1	2	3	4				5	5A	6	7	8		9				10	11				12	13	14
			Pending in the year 1883.								Convicted.		Acquitted.					Remaining under Trial.						
			Before High Court		Before Magistrates.								By Magistrates.					Before High Court.		Before Magistrates.				
Serial Number.	Laws under which punishable.	Classification of Crimes and Offences.	Number of Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Number of Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Number of Offences reported during the year.	Number of Offences reported in which persons were brought to trial during the year.	Number of persons under trial during the year.	Committed to Sessions.	By High Court.	By Magistrates.	By High Court.	Acquitted.	Withdrawn and Dismissed for want of evidence.	Total.	Died, Escaped and Transferred.	Number of Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Number of Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Computed value of property stolen.	Computed value of property recovered.	Remarks.
		Class I.—*continued.*																				Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	
		False Evidence, False Complaints or Claims, and Forgeries.																						
18	193 to 196	Giving or fabricating false evidence.	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
19	197 to 200	Making, issuing, or using false statement or certificate	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
20	206 to 208, 421 to 424	Fraudulent claim to, or concealment of property, or suffering of decree	...	...	...	...	1	1	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
21	209, 210	False claim in Court of Justice ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
22	211	False charge of offence	...	...	...	...	11	11	11	...	...	6	...	4	1	5	...	...	...	..	..	.....	.....	
23	C. P. C. 552... ...	Frivolous or vexatious complaint.	...	...	...	...	2	2	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
24	465 to 469, 471, 474.	Forgery or fraudulently using or possessing forged document ...	1	1	...	...	1	1	7	...	1	...	...	7	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
25	477	Fraudulent cancellation or destruction of will or valuable security.	...	..	...	...	1	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	5	5	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
26	482 to 489	Making or using false trade marks	...	...	...	..	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1884 ...	1	1	...	...	18	18	29	1	1	8	1	14	6	20	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1883 ...	1	1	...	...	10	9	9	1	...	7	1	1	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	.....	.....	
		Increase ...	...	...	...	...	8	9	20	...	1	1	..	13	6	19	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	
		Decrease ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	.....	.....	
		Public Nuisances.																						
27	269 to 294	Public nuisances under Penal Code. Nuisances under Police or Municipal and Local Acts.	...	...	1	1	3,629	3,629	3,629	...	...	3,536	..	46	45	91	...	...	...	3	3	.....	.....	
		Total in 1884 ...	...	...	1	1	3,629	3,629	3,629	...	...	3,536	...	46	45	91	...	...	...	3	3	.....	.....	
		Total in 1883 ...	...	...	1	1	5,339	5,338	5,338	...	...	5,261	...	57	21	78	...	...	...	.	...	.....	.....	
		Increase ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	13	..	...	...	3	3	.....	.....	
		Decrease ..	...	...	...	...	1,710	1,709	1,709	...	...	1,725	...	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	

		Relating to the Public Peace.																							
28	143 to 153, 157, 158.	Rioting or unlawful assembly ...	...	...	...	...	1	1	15	...	...	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
29	160 and Police Act...	Affray and disorderly or indecent behaviour	...	...	...	...	3,620	3,620	3,620	...	...	3,580	...	35	5	40	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
30	295 to 298	Offences relating to religion ...	...	...	...	...	2	2	3	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1884 ...	...	...	...	...	3,623	3,623	3,638	...	...	3,598	...	35	5	40	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1883 ...	...	...	...	...	4,221	4,221	4,267	...	...	4,213	...	38	16	54	...	...	...	...	..	.....	.....	
		Increase ...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Decrease ..	...	...	..	...	598	598	629	...	...	615	...	3	11	14	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		CLASS II. *Offences against the Person.*																							
31	302, 303	Murder... { By robbers ... ... / By poison or from other motives ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
32	307, 24 and 25 Vic., Ch. 100, Secs. 11, 18.	Attempt to murder	1	1	1	2	9	8	11	6	6	...	*1	1	...	1	†2	...	...	1	4	.....	.....	*The prisoner was tendered a pardon under Sec. 338, C. P. Code. †One prisoner was transferred to the Political Agent, Rewa Kántha, for trial, and one was sent to the Lunatic Asylum.
33	301	Culpable homicide...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
34	304A	Causing death by negligence ...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
35	309	Attempt to commit suicide ...	..	...	...	...	43	43	43	1	1	34	...	8	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
36	312 to 316	Causing miscarriage	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	1	1	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
37	317, 318	Exposure of infant or concealment of birth	...	...	...	...	6	4	4	...	...	2	...	1	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
38	325, 326, 335 ...	Grievous hurt	...	...	...	...	44	44	60	7	7	29	...	12	4	16	...	...	...	4	8	.....	.....	
39	323, 324, 334 ...	Hurt	...	...	6	18	148	145	195	...	...	160	...	35	15	50	...	...	...	1	3	.....	.....	
40	328	Administering stupefying drugs ...	...	...	...	...	3	1	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
41	327, 330, 332 ...	Causing hurt to extort property or confession, or to deter public servant from his duty	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
42	336 to 338	Act dangerous to life or safety ...	...	...	...	...	13	13	15	...	...	7	..	5	1	6	...	...	...	1	2	.....	.....	
43	341	Wrongful restraint...	...	...	...	...	2	2	2	...	...	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
44	342 to 346	Wrongful confinement	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
45	124, 352, 353, 355 to 358.	Assault or use of criminal force ...	...	...	1	2	2,295	2,295	4,372	...	...	1,049	...	759	2,566	3,325	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
46	354	Assault or use of criminal force to a woman to outrage her modesty.	...	...	...	...	3	3	4	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
47	504 to 509 and Police Act.	Criminal intimidation or insult or using threatening or abusive words with intent to provoke a breach of the peace	..	...	...	...	250	250	250	...	...	65	...	50	135	185	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
48	510 and Police Act...	Causing annoyance in state of intoxication and being drunk and disorderly and incapable ...	...	...	...	...	5,853	5,853	5,853	...	...	5,823	...	20	10	30	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
49	370, 371	Buying or disposing of any person as a slave	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
50	363 to 365, 367 to 369	Kidnapping and abduction ...	...	...	...	...	19	19	27	...	...	7	...	15	2	17	‡3	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	‡Two prisoners were transferred to the Political Agent, Indore, and one to the Magistrate at Puna for trial.
51	366	Abducting a woman to compel marriage or for defilement ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
52	372, 373	Selling, letting, or unlawfully obtaining a woman for purposes of prostitution	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
53	498	Enticing a married woman with criminal intent	...	...	...	...	105	105	124	...	...	18	...	57	48	105	...	...	...	1	1	.....	.....	
54	493 to 496	Fraudulent and unlawful marriages	...	...	...	...	12	12	23	2	2	...	...	17	4	21	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	

STATEMENT A.—*continued.*

1	2	3	4				5	5A	6	7	8		9				10	11				12	13	14
			Pending in the Year 1883.								Convicted.		Acquitted.					Remaining under Trial.						
			Before High Court.		Before Magistrates.								By Magistrates.					Before High Court.		Before Magistrates.				
Serial Number.	Laws under which punishable.	Classification of Crimes and Offences.	Number of Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Number of Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Number of Offences reported during the year.	Number of Offences reported in which persons were brought to trial during the year.	Number of persons under trial during the year.	Committed to Sessions.	By High Court.	By Magistrates.	By High Court.	Acquitted.	Withdrawn and Dismissed for want of evidence.	Total.	Died, Escaped and Transferred.	Number of Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Number of Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Computed value of property stolen.	Computed value of property recovered.	Remarks.
		Class II.—*continued.*																				Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	
		Offences against the Person—contd.																						
55	497	Adultery	...	...	...	...	9	9	10	...	...	1	...	5	4	9	...	...	..	...	...	.....	.....	
56	376	Rape	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	.....	.....	
57	377	Unnatural offences...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
58	500 to 502	Defamation	...	...	...	...	19	19	29	...	...	5	...	7	17	24	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1884 ...	1	1	8	22	8,838	8,829	11,028	18	18	7,205	1	996	2,808	3,804	5	...	...	8	18	.....	.....	
		Total in 1883 ...	3	4	5	5	10,061	10,052	11,802	25	18	8,566	10	1,065	2,127	3,192	1	1	1	9	23	.....	.....	
		Increase ...	...	...	3	17	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	681	612	4	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Decrease ...	2	3	...	...	1,223	1,223	774	7	...	1,361	9	69	...	...	...	1	1	1	5	.....	.....	
		Class III.																						
		Offences against Property.																						
		With Violence.																						
59	392, 393	Robbery	...	...	...	...	3	3	4	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	1	1	84 0 0	.....	
60	384 to 389	Extortion	...	...	...	...	2	2	2	..	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
61	451, 454, 457 ...	House-breaking or house-trespass, in order to commit theft... ...	...	...	1	2	92	53	65	6	6	51	...	8	2	10	...	...	...	...	...	13,579 6 4	4,206 10 7	*The prisoner was transferred to the Political Agent, Cutch, for trial.
62	452, 455, 458, 459, 460.	House-breaking or house-trespass, with preparation for, or attempt at hurt	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	.....	.....	† Four Prisoners were transferred to the Magistrate of Bhávnagar and one to the Magistrate of Chiplún for trial and one died before trial.
		Without Violence.																						
63	379 to 382	Theft... Of Cattle	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	*1	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
64		Theft... Ordinary... ...	..	...	4	4	2,784	1,667	1,776	10	9	1,343	...	393	25	418	†6	1	1	3	3	1,29,243 0 8	63,621 14 2	‡The prisoner died before trial.
65	411 to 414	Dishonestly receiving stolen property	...	...	1	1	125	125	155	8	6	86	2	56	2	58	‡1	...	...	1	3	1,367 8 0	1,323 13 0	§The prisoners were transferred to the Magistrate of Mangalore for trial.
66	403, 404	Dishonest misappropriation of property	...	...	...	...	22	22	23	...	...	9	...	9	4	13	...	...	...	1	1	.....	.....	
67	406 to 409	Criminal breach of trust	...	...	2	2	462	411	424	3	2	189	1	182	49	231	§2	...	...	1	1	.....	.....	¶The prisoners were transferred for trial, one each to the Magistrates of Puna, Uran, Ahmedabad, Násik, Benares, and Hyderabad.
68	417 to 420	Cheating	...	...	..	...	99	99	123	2	2	27	...	67	25	92	...	...	...	1	2	.....	.....	
69	Police Act	Possessing stolen property ...	...	...	2	2	434	434	517	...	...	422	...	88	...	88	¶6	...	...	2	3	7,826 8 11	7,826 8 11	
70	Police Act	Finding and appropriating property with intent to despoil the owner	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	

71	Police Act	Purchasing or receiving in pledge certain property from boys under the age of 14 years	...	..	..	...	11	11	11	...	...	10	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
		Total in 1884 ...	...	...	10	11	4,035	2,828	3,101	29	25	2,141	3	805	107	912	16	1	1	10	14	1,52,100 7 11	76,978 14 8
		Total in 1883 ...	2	2	8	13	4,290	3,150	3,489	14	14	2,579	1	722	171	893	6	...	...	10	11	1,04,537 10 8	47,872 2 1
		Increase ...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	15	11	...	2	83	...	19	10	1	1	...	3	47,562 13 3	29,106 12 7
		Decrease ...	2	2	...	2	255	322	388	...	...	438	...	...	64	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.. ...
		Malicious Offences.																					
72	426, 427, 430 to 433, 435, 440.	Mischief	...	...	...	...	74	73	73	...	...	18	...	36	19	‖55	...	..	...	..	...	.....	.....
73	428, 429	Mischief by poisoning or killing cattle	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
74	447, 448 and Police Act.	Criminal trespass or house trespass ...	...	...	...	...	190	190	190	..	...	101	..	46	43	89	..	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
75	461, 462	Breaking closed receptacle ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	.....	.....
		Total in 1884 ...	...	..	...	...	264	263	263	...	...	119	...	82	62	144	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
		Total in 1883 ...	...	...	...	...	220	219	219	...	...	120	...	44	55	99	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
		Increase ...	...	...	...	...	44	44	44	...	...	...	.	38	7	45	..	...	..	...	...	.....	.....
		Decrease ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	... ..	.....
		CLASS IV.																					
		Not included in the above Classes.																					
76	European Vagrancy Act.	Vagrancy without ostensible means of livelihood	...	...	...	...	58	58	58	...	...	52	...	6	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
77	C. P. C. 110 and Police Act.	Bad habit and repute and lurking with intent to steal	...	..	...	...	64	64	64	...	...	63	...	1	...	1	...	..	...	...	...	.....	.....
78	511 and Police Act...	Attempt to commit an offence punishable with imprisonment or transportation if not punishable under special section	...	..	...	..	38	38	39	...	...	33	...	5	1	6	...	...	...	...	..	.....	.....
79	C. P. C. and Police Acts.	Miscellaneous offences	...	...	...	...	4,199	4,199	4,200	..	...	3,975	...	97	127	224	...	...	...	1	1	.....	.....
		Total in 1884 ...	...	...	...	...	4,359	4,359	4,361	...	...	4,123	...	109	128	237	...	...	...	1	1	.....	.....
		Total in 1883 ...	...	...	...	...	3,939	3,939	3,941	2	1	3,683	1	128	128	256	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
		Increase ...	...	...	...	...	420	420	420	...	...	440	...	..	..	..	...	...	...	1	1	.....	.....
		Decrease ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	1	19	...	19	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
		Breaches of Special Laws for the protection of the Revenue or on other subjects, the Acts being specified.																					
		Breaches of Laws relating																					
80	Act V. of 1878 ...	To Excise on Spirits and Drugs ...	...	...	12	12	74	74	74	...	..	69	...	16	1	17	..	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
81	Act I. of 1878 ...	,, Opium	...	...	...	...	18	18	18	..	...	16	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
82	Act VII. of 1873 ...	,, Salt	...	...	...	..	5	5	5	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
83	Act VIII. of 1878 ...	,, Sea and Land Customs ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
84	Act I. of 1879 ...	,, Stamps	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
85	Act XIV. of 1866 ...	,, Post Office	...	...	...	..	15	15	15	...	...	4	...	11	...	11	...	..	...	..	...	.....	.....
86	Act VIII. of 1860 ...	,, Electric Telegraph	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
87	Acts III. of 1872 (Bombay) and IV. of 1878.	,, Municipalities	...	...	...	...	5,772	5,772	5,772	...	..	4,304	...	20	1,448	1,468	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....

‖One prisoner was sent to the Lunatic Asylum at Colâba.

STATEMENT A.—*continued.*

1	2	3	4				5	5A	6	7	8		9				10	11				12	13	14
			Pending in the Year 1883.								Convicted.		Acquitted.					Remaining under Trial.						
			Before High Court		Before Magistrates.								By Magistrates.					Before High Court.		Before Magistrates.				
Serial Number.	Laws under which punishable.	Classification of Crimes and Offences.	Number of Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Number of Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Number of Offences reported during the year.	Number of Offences reported in which persons were brought to trial during the year.	Number of persons under trial during the year.	Committed to Sessions.	By High Court.	By Magistrates.	By High Court.	Acquitted.	Withdrawn and Dismissed for want of evidence.	Total.	Died, Escaped and Transferred.	Number of Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Number of Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Computed value of property stolen.	Computed value of property recovered.	Remarks.
		Breaches of Special Laws for the protection of the Revenue or on other subjects, the Acts being specified —continued.																				Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	
		Breaches of Laws relating																						
88	Act I of 1859, &c. ...	To Merchant Seamen and Shipping.	...	...	...	...	181	181	181	...	...	148	...	21	12	33	..	..	..	...	...	.....	.....	
89	Acts XII of 1875, VI of 1879, and VI of 1883	,, The Port	...	...	...	...	89	89	89	...	...	88	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
90	Act IV of 1879 ...	,, Railways	...	...	...	...	79	79	79	...	...	72	...	5	2	7	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
91	Act III of 1872 (Bombay).	,, Wheel Tax	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	.....	.....	
92	Act VI of 1863 (Bombay).	,, Boat Conveyance	...	...	...	...	84	84	84	...	...	80	...	1	3	4	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
93	Act VI of 1863 (Bombay).	,, Hackery Conveyance ...	...	...	...	...	3,142	3,142	3,142	...	...	3,047	...	32	63	95	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
94	Act XXV of 1867 ...	,, The Press	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
95	Section 294A Indian Penal Code and Act XIII of 1856 (Police).	,, Gaming	...	...	...	...	197	197	1,021	...	...	1,010	...	7	4	11	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
96	Act XI of 1878 ...	,, Possession of Arms ...	...	...	1	1	16	16	16	...	...	13	..	2	2	4	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
97	Act V of 1863 (Bombay).	,, Gas Light	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
98	Act X of 1866 ...	,, Indian Companies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
99	Act VIII of 1876 ...	,, Passengers	...	...	...	...	3	3	3	...	...	1	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
100	Act IX of 1874 ...	,, European Vagrants	...	...	...	...	10	10	10	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
101	Act IV of 1857 ..	,, Tobacco	..	...	...	...	2	2	2	..	...	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
102	Act I of 1874 ...	,, Tramways	...	...	...	...	27	27	27	...	...	19	...	3	5	8	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
103	Act XIV of 1868 ...	,, Contagious Diseases	...	...	...	...	340	340	340	...	...	230	...	2	108	110	...	...	...	...	..	.....	.....	
104	Act I of 1875 ...	,, Distress	...	...	...	...	13	13	13	...	...	1	...	7	5	12	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
105	Act VII of 1867 ...	,, Mutiny	...	...	...	...	16	16	16	...	...	5	...	1	*10	11	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
106	Act I of 1877 ...	,, Vaccination	...	...	...	...	269	269	269	...	...	259	...	6	4	10	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	*Returned to the custody of the Military authorities.
107	Act XIII of 1859 ...	,, Artificers	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
108	Act XV of 1881 ...	,, Factories	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	1	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	.....	.....	
109	Act II of 1874 ...	,, Jails	...	...	...	...	3	3	3	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
110	Act VIII of 1866 ...	,, Poisons	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	..	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1884 ...	...	...	13	13	10,359	10,359	11,183	...	...	9,387	...	140	1,669	1,809	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1883 ...	...	...	1	1	10,208	10,208	10,972	1	1	9,234	...	158	1,567	1,725	...	...	...	13	13	.....	.....	
		Increase ...	...	...	12	12	151	151	211	...	...	153	..	...	102	84	..	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Decrease ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	18	...	...	...	...	...	13	13	.....	.....	

ABSTRACT.

Class I.

1	Total of Offences against the State	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
2	,, relating to Coin, Stamps, Weights and Measures.	...	...	...	...	30	28	30	...	...	24	...	6	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
3	,, against Public Justice	...	...	2	3	145	145	173	...	...	90	...	53	32	85	1	..	...	...	...	.....	.....
4	,, by Public Servants	...	...	...	...	8	8	8	2	...	4	2	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
5	,, relating to False Evidence, False Complaints or Claims.	1	1	...	...	18	18	29	1	1	8	1	14	6	20	...	...	...	...	...	... ..	.....
6	,, relating to Public Nuisances	...	...	1	1	3,629	3,629	3,629	...	...	3,536	...	46	45	91	...	...	...	3	3	.....	.....
7	,, relating to the Public Peace	...	...	...	..	3,623	3,623	3,638	..	...	3,598	...	35	5	40	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
		1	1	3	4	7,453	7,451	7,507	3	1	7,260	3	156	88	244	1	...	...	3	3	.....	.....

Class II.

8	Total of Offences against the Person	1	1	8	22	8,838	8,829	11,028	18	18	7,205	1	996	2,808	3,804	5	...	...	8	18	.....	.....

Class III.

9	Total of Offences against Property, with violence and without violence.	...	...	10	11	4,035	2,828	3,101	29	25	2,141	3	805	107	912	16	1	1	10	14	1,52,100 7 11	76,978 14 8
10	Total of Malicious Offences...	...	..	...	...	264	263	263	...	...	119	...	82	62	144	...	...	..	...	...	.....	.....
		...	...	10	11	4,299	3,091	3,364	29	25	2,260	3	887	169	1,056	16	1	1	10	14	1,52,100 7 11	76,978 14 8

Class IV.

11	Total of Offences not included in the above Class ...	...	....	...	...	4,359	4,359	4,361	...	...	4,123	...	109	128	237	...	...	...	1	1	.....	.....
12	Relating to breaches of Special Laws and Police Acts, &c.	...	...	13	13	10,359	10,359	11,183	...	...	9,387	...	140	1,669	1,809	...	..	...	...	...	.....	.....
	Grand Total in 1884 ...	2	2	34	50	35,308	34,089	37,443	50	44	30,235	7	2,288	4,862	7,150	22	1	1	22	36	1,52,100 7 11	76,978 14 8
	Grand Total in 1883 ...	7	8	15	20	38,581	37,428	40,366	45	35	33,855	15	2,280	4,150	6,430	7	2	2	34	50	1,04,537 10 8	47,872 2 1
	Increase ...	...	...	19	30	...	...	...	5	9	...	...	8	712	720	15	...	...	...	...	47,562 13 3	29,106 12 7
	Decrease ...	5	6	...	...	3,273	3,339	2,923	...	...	3,620	8	...	...	...	...	1	1	12	14	.....	.....

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C. P. COOPER,
Chief Presidency Magistrate.

STATEMENT B.

Statement showing the Punishments inflicted by the various Criminal Tribunals in the City of Bombay in the year 1884.

Class of Tribunals.	Persons sentenced to: Death.	Transportation: For life.	Transportation: For a term.	Penal servitude.	Imprisonment: Rigorous: With solitary confinement.	Imprisonment: Rigorous: Without solitary confinement.	Imprisonment: Simple.	Forfeiture of property.	Fines: With imprisonment.	Fines: Without imprisonment.	Whipping: In addition to other punishment.	Whipping: In lieu of other punishment.	Persons ordered to find or give securities: Securities to keep the peace and be of good behaviour.	Persons ordered to find or give securities: Own recognizances.	Admonished and discharged.	Detail of Punishment. Fines: Rupees ten and under.	Rupees fifty and under.	Rupees one hundred and under.	Rupees five hundred and under.	Rupees one thousand and under.	Above one thousand Rupees.	Total amount of fine.	Amount realized.	Amount paid by way of compensation.	Imprisonment: Fifteen days and under: Rigorous.	Fifteen days and under: Simple.	Six months and under: Rigorous.	Six months and under: Simple.	Two years and under: Rigorous.	Two years and under: Simple.	Seven years and under: Rigorous.	Seven years and under: Simple.	Above seven years: Rigorous.	Above seven years: Simple.	Whipping: 10 stripes and under.	Whipping: 20 stripes and under.	Whipping: 30 stripes and under.	Number of boys whose sentences were commuted to detention in a Reformatory School.	Remarks.
																Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.																
High Court	4	2	18	..	..	18	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	....	.....	....	...	..	..	....	....	....	..	..	1	2	3	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Presidency Magistrates	..	..	..	..	..	1,671 *	1,356	..	103	21,094	5	45	17	..	5,758	41,601 14 6	12,626 0 0	3,210 0 0	3,610 15 8	..	..	61,048 14 2	49,611 9 2	2,978 6 6	331	1,342	1,056	14	284	..	..	..	..	..	49	1	..	..	
Total in 1884 ..	4	2	18	..	..	1,689	1,358	..	103	21,094	5	45	17	..	5,758	41,601 14 6	12,626 0 0	3,210 0 0	3,610 15 8	..	..	61,048 14 2	49,611 9 2	2,978 6 6	331	1,342	1,057	16	287	..	14	.	..	..	49	1	.	..	
Total in 1883 ..	12	3	6	..	..	2,071	1,235	..	234	25,127	5	83	16	..	5,084	47,219 0 9	17,722 3 0	2,584 0 0	6,001 0 0	1,000 0 0	..	74,526 3 9	59,820 11 9	2,662 1 6	409	1,216	1,318	18	332	1	12	..	..	..	84	3	1	..	
Increase ..	2	..	12	..	..	..	123	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	674	....	....	626 0 0	....	..	..	....	....	316 5 0	..	126	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Decrease ..	..	1	..	..	..	382	..	..	131	4,033	..	38	..	..	..	5,617 2 3	5,096 3 0	....	2,390 0 4	1,000 0 0	..	13,477 5 7	10,209 2 7	....	78	..	261	2	45	1	..	..	..	..	35	2	1	..	

1884 * Including 52 European Vagrants sent to Government Workhouse and 52 Juvenile offenders sent to the David Sassoon Industrial and Reformatory Institution.
1883 Including 69 ditto 71 ditto ditto ditto.

STATEMENT C.

Statement of Appeals received under Municipal Acts and disposed of by the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Bombay, during the year 1884.

Appeals.	Pending in the year 1883.	Number of Appeals in 1884.	Affirmed or allowed.	Disallowed. Dismissed.	Disallowed. Withdrawn.	Disallowed. Total.	Pending.
Against the rate of assessment demanded by the Municipal Commissioner	99	12	4	12	95	107	...
Against the rate of compensation for ground taken up by the Municipality for road improvement...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1
Against taxation on a horse	...	1	1	...	...	...	...
For the recovery of damages from the Municipal Commissioner	...	1	...	1	...	1	...
For the remission of one-fifth of the consolidated rates in respect of properties	...	2	...	2	...	2	...
For remission of the tax on four-wheeled carriages	...	1	...	1	...	1	...
Total in 1884 ...	99	18	5	16	95	111	1
Total in 1883 ...	...	110	1	6	4	10	99
Increase ...	99	...	4	10	91	101	...
Decrease ...	...	92	...	...	...	...	98

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C. P. COOPER,
Chief Presidency Magistrate.

STATEMENT D.

Statement showing the offences for which persons of the age of fourteen years and under were brought before the Presidency Magistrates, Bombay, during the year 1884.

Serial Number.	Offences.	Number of persons.	Convicted.	Discharged.	Result of Persons convicted.					
					Persons sent to the David Sassoon Reformatory.	Imprisoned.	Flogged.	Fined.	Bound over to be of good behaviour.	Admonished and Discharged.
1	House-breaking	3	3	...	...	3	...	...	...	...
2	Theft	177	161	16	42	91	24	2	...	2
3	Dishonestly receiving stolen property	6	6	...	2	4	...	...	...	...
4	Criminal breach of trust... ...	1	1	..	...	1	...	...	...	...
5	Fraudulent possession of stolen property	55	51	4	3	28	...	20	...	...
6	Offences relating to coin	2	2	...	...	1	1	..	...	...
7	Voluntarily causing hurt... ...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
8	Dishonest misappropriation of property	2	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...
9	Gambling	31	31	...	...	1	...	24	...	6
10	Rash and negligent driving ...	4	4	...	...	...	...	3	...	1
11	Breach of Conveyance Act ...	103	103	...	...	2	...	93	...	8
12	Causing obstruction in a thoroughfare	131	131	...	...	...	...	91	...	40
13	Begging for alms in public streets	24	24	...	...	23	...	...	...	1
14	Breach of Railway Act	6	6	...	1	...	...	1	3	1
15	Indecent behaviour in public streets	45	43	2	...	5	...	31	2	5
16	Wilful trespass	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
17	Torturing animals	4	4	...	...	...	...	4	...	...
18	Breach of Tramway Act... ...	2	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
19	Being drunk and incapable ...	6	6	...	...	2	...	4	...	...
20	Leaving carriages without control	1	1	...	...	..	...	...	...	1
21	Driving vehicles on the wrong side of the road...	3	3	...	...	...	...	2	...	1
22	Playing music in a public place without a license	4	4	...	...	...	...	2	...	2
23	Bathing in public places... ...	2	2	...	...	...	...	2	...	...
24	Being vagrants	2	2	...	...	*2	...	...	...	...
25	Poor children abandoned by parents	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
26	Letting off fireworks in public streets	113	112	1	...	...	...	47	...	65
27	Negligence with combustible matter	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
28	Driving vehicles after dark without light	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
29	Attempt at offences	2	2	...	1	1	...	...	...	...
	Total in 1884 ...	735	709	26	50	164	26	330	†5	134
	Total in 1883 ...	893	833	60	62	135	47	508	1	80
	Increase ...	...	...	...	...	29	...	...	4	54
	Decrease ...	158	124	34	12	...	21	178	...	...

* The prisoners were sent to the Government Workhouse.
† The fathers of these offenders were bound over as sureties for their good behaviour.

C. P. COOPER,
Chief Presidency Magistrate.

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STATEMENT E.

Statement showing the number of Cases in which the punishment of Whipping was inflicted, from 1st January to 31st December 1884.

	Total.	Theft.				In possession of Property.				Criminal Misappropriation of Property.				Criminal Breach of Trust.				Offences relating to Coin.			
		Punishment under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Punishment under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.	Under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.	Under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.	Under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.	Under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.
1884	50	41	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
1883	87	65	1	..	4	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Increase	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Decrease	37	24	1	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

	Attempts at the commission of offences.				Aiding and abetting in the commission of offences.				House-breaking.				Breach of Railway Act.				Breach of Tramway Act.				Total.	
	Under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.	Under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.	Under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.	Under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.	Under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.	With rattan.	With cat-o'-nine tails.
1884	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	50	..
1883	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	86	1
Increase	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Decrease	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	36	1

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Chief Presidency Magistrate.

STATEMENT F.

Return showing the number of Inquests held by the Coroner of Bombay during the calendar year 1884.

	Causes of Deaths.	Total number of Inquests held during the year 1883.	Total number of Inquests held during the year 1884.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Homicidal cases ... Culpable homicide amounting to murder ...	13	5	...	8
	Homicidal cases ... Ditto not amounting to murder ...	3	1	...	2
	Death caused by rash and negligent act not amounting to culpable homicide	7	2	...	5
	Death due to causing hurt	...	1	1	...
	Suicidal cases ... Cutting throat	1	2	1	...
	Suicidal cases ... Drowning	31	44	13	...
	Suicidal cases ... Hanging	4	1	...	3
	Suicidal cases ... Jumping from a window, terrace and houses	4	...	...	4
	Suicidal cases ... Poisoning	35	25	...	10
	Suicidal cases ... Shooting	3	1	...	2
	Suicidal cases ... Stabbing	1	1	...	...
Accidental Deaths.	Accidents on board ships	22	15	...	7
Accidental Deaths.	„ from machinery	8	10	2	...
Accidental Deaths.	„ railways	6	16	10	...
Accidental Deaths.	„ tramways	3	2	...	1
Accidental Deaths.	Accidental drowning	35	32	...	3
Accidental Deaths.	„ poisoning	3	3	...	...
Accidental Deaths.	„ shooting	...	1	1	...
Accidental Deaths.	Bite of venomous reptiles	6	4	...	2
Accidental Deaths.	„ of mad dogs	...	4	4	...
Accidental Deaths.	Excessive drinking	12	11	...	1
Accidental Deaths.	Fall from houses and buildings	31	25	...	6
Accidental Deaths.	„ scaffolding and ladders	11	7	...	4
Accidental Deaths.	„ trees	2	3	1	...
Accidental Deaths.	„ in dry docks	...	1	1	...
Accidental Deaths.	„ on roads	3	...	...	3
Accidental Deaths.	Falling bags of rice, sugar, grain, &c.	4	4	...	...
Accidental Deaths.	„ cotton bales, bales of piece-goods and cases of merchandise	4	7	3	...
Accidental Deaths.	„ earth and stones	4	4	...	...
Accidental Deaths.	„ houses and buildings	2	1	...	1
Accidental Deaths.	„ iron plates and bars	2	3	1	...
Accidental Deaths.	„ timber, planks and posts	...	8	8	...
Accidental Deaths.	„ trees	2	...	...	2
Accidental Deaths.	Injuries from carts and carriages	26	20	...	6
Accidental Deaths.	„ fire	24	14	...	10
Accidental Deaths.	„ horses and bullocks	3	7	4	...
Accidental Deaths.	Inhaling mephitic gases	3	3	...	...
Accidental Deaths.	Run over and jammed between railway waggons	4	1	...	3
Accidental Deaths.	Scalds	4	4	...	...
Accidental Deaths.	Suffocated while rushing out of a wool-cleaning godown ...	23	...	...	23
Accidental Deaths.	Miscellaneous accidents	14	10	...	4
	Natural causes	60	85	25	...
	Death and injuries how and under what circumstances caused not known. Found dead	3	4	1	...
	Death and injuries how and under what circumstances caused not known. Found drowned	8	23	15	...
	Death and injuries how and under what circumstances caused not known. Fracture of the skull	...	1	1	...
	Death and injuries how and under what circumstances caused not known. Injuries to the head	1	...	...	1
	Still-born	...	1	1	...
	Total ...	435	417	93	111

THOMAS BLANEY,
Coroner of Bombay.

C. P. COOPER,
Chief Presidency Magistrate.

Bombay, 9th January 1885.

STATEMENT G.

Return of Fires in the Island of Bombay between 1st January and 31st December 1884.

No.	Date.	Locality.	Hour.	Nature of property damaged or destroyed.	Names of Owners of property destroyed.	Estimated damage of property destroyed.	Cause of Fire.	Remarks.
						Rs. a. p.		
	1884							
1	1st January...	Wari Bandar ...	10-30 a. m.	A tile shed and other property ...	Ahmed Habib and others	500 0 0	Unknown.	
2	1st „ ...	Dongry Street ...	1-30 p. m.	A quantity of wool	Haji Esmail Alana	15 0 0	Accidental.	Supposed to have been caused by spontaneous combustion.
3	9th „ ...	Pasta Lane (Lower Colába).	8 a. m.	Part of a godown and a quantity of cotton.	Nathubhoy Surchund and others ...	14,000 0 0	Do.	The fire is believed to be due to spontaneous combustion.
4	29th „ ...	Old Race Course ...	1-30 a. m.	Part of Chawl and other property ...	Rajaram Luxumon	137 0 0	Unknown.	
5	4th February.	Siwri	2 p. m.	A cudjan hut...	Raji, woman	80 0 0	Do.	
6	7th „ ...	Kámáthipura	3-30 a. m.	Boards of a floor	Nursingu, woman	250 0 0	Do.	
7	19th „ ...	Grant Road	11 p. m.	A quantity of grass	Rughuber Sewdayal	5 0 0	Do.	
8	20th „ ...	New Memon Wada ...	2-10 a. m.	A house and other property ...	Esmail Hussein	600 0 0	Do.	
9	9th March ...	Khára Taláv ...	7 a. m.	A quantity of grass	Jora, woman	10 0 0	Do.	
10	26th „ ...	Cursetji Sooklaji Street	4-45 a. m.	A cudjan hut and its contents ...	Karimbux Pinjary	30 0 0	Accidental.	Through the upsetting of a kerosine oil lamp.
11	1st April ...	Bori Bandar	11-10 a. m.	Cudjan huts and other property ...	Baiji, woman, and others	300 0 0	Unknown.	
12	6th May ...	Upper Máhím ...	1 p. m.	A straw godown, &c.	Mohan Jaitha	1,000 0 0	Do.	
13	11th „ ...	Do.	3 a. m.	Five grass stacks, &c.	Murarji Jaitha	1,100 0 0	Do.	
14	13th „ ...	Mody Bay	6 a. m.	Ice Factory and other property ...	Messrs. Forbes and Company, Agents Ice Factory.	1,00,000 0 0	Accidental.	The origin of the fire is attributed to a leak of ether from the head of the cylinder of the small ether condenser and its ignition by the gas light burning in the room. The ignited ether spread to the condenser which went off with a loud explosion.
15	24th „ ...	Upper Máhím ...	11 a. m.	A tent and other property	Mr. Whitaker	1,200 0 0	Do.	The fire was caused by some burning wadding let off from a toy cannon on to the top of the tent to windward.
16	7th June ...	Páydhuni	1-10 a. m.	3 stables and other property, &c. ...	Hormusji Dadabhoy, Pestonji Jamsetji and Crustnaji Rungu.	7,475 0 0	Unknown.	
17	10th „ ...	Falkland Road ...	11 p. m.	Sundry articles	Esaji Jacob	10 0 0	Do.	
18	21st „ ...	Nowroji Hill	10-20 p. m.	A stable and other property ...	Hunnee, woman	325 0 0	Do.	
19	22nd „ ...	Kámáthipura... ...	11 p. m.	Part of a roof	Kanji Poonji...	50 0 0	Accidental.	The fire is attributed to the accidental upsetting of a lighted lamp.
20	16th August ...	Duncan Road ...	6 a. m.	A quantity of cotton	Dewji Bhanji	50 0 0	Unknown.	
21	25th „ ...	Mount Road	2-30 p. m.	Two jowlie chawls and other property.	Balu Bhugwan and Chima Govind...	540 0 0	Do.	

22	23rd Sept. ...	Arsenal Bandar ...	10 a. m.	A quantity of unserviceable war material.	H. M.'s Government of Bombay ...	.....	Accidental.	The fire is attributed to spontaneous combustion.
23	10th October...	Mallet Road	11-30 p. m.	A cudjan hut	Gunu Yenku	10 0 0	Unknown.	
24	12th „ ...	Esplanade	10 p. m.	A cudjan hut and its contents ...	The Executive Engineer	50 0 0	Do.	
25	16th „ ...	Siwri Road	1 p. m.	A cudjan hut and other property ...	Dhurma Kondy	44 0 0	Carelessness.	Neglect of cooking fire.
26	22nd „ ...	Kálbádevi Road ...	3 p. m.	A couple of chairs	Chunilal Motilal	8 0 0	Unknown.	
27	13th November.	Haines' Road ...	2 a. m.	A platform of carding room and other property.	The Indian Manufacturing Mill ...	10,000 0 0	Do.	
28	22nd „ ...	Upper Duncan Road...	5-15 p. m.	A house and other property (a press).	Shaik Nurdin Jaodin	2,50,000 0 0	Do.	
29	2nd December.	Haines' Road ...	10 p. m.	Part of a roof	Ramchunder Damaji	25 0 0	Do.	
30	7th „ ...	Chinchpoogly ...	10 a. m.	Roof, windows, and a quantity of cotton, &c.	The New Prince of Wales' Mill ...	2,500 0 0	Accidental.	Supposed to have been caused by spontaneous combustion.
31	8th „ ...	Balu Sarung Street ...	2-30 p. m.	Clocks, musical instruments, toys, &c.	Hassom Carrim and others	3,500 0 0	Do.	Cause of fire is probably due to spontaneous combustion.
32	10th „ ...	Dhárávi	3-30 p. m.	Cudjan huts	Bhiwa Bhundari and others ...	150 0 0	Unknown.	
33	12th „ ...	Tank Bandar Road ...	1-30 a. m.	A cudjan hut	Maroti Kaydari	5 0 0	Accidental.	By the upsetting of a kerosine oil lamp.
34	14th „ ...	Hornby Row	3 p. m.	A tent and its contents	Adumji Pirbhoy	300 0 0	Unknown.	
35	17th „ ...	Old Race Course ...	6 p. m.	Part of a house	Gungaram Chinoo	15 0 0	Do.	
36	18th „ ...	Parel Road	3 a. m.	A quantity of cotton	Russul Hussein	150 0 0	Do.	
37	25th „ ...	Lower Colába ...	8 a. m.	Do. do.	The Colába Nicol Mill	10 0 0	Do.	
38	30th „ ...	Haines' Road... ...	8-15 p. m.	Do. do.	The Kuttaw Mackonji Mills ...	500 0 0	Do.	
					Total ...	3,94,944 0 0		

Bombay, 10th March 1885.

F. H. SOUTER,
Commissioner of Police.

C. P. COOPER,
Chief Presidency Magistrate.

STATEMENT H.

Abstract for Trial during the year 1884.

CLASS OF TRIBUNAL.	Number of Cases reported in which no persons were apprehended in the year.	TOTAL NUMBER OF OFFENCES AND PRISONERS.						Remaining undisposed of in the year 1884.		Percentage of persons convicted during the year 1884.	SENTENCE.						
		Convicted.		Released.													
					Prisoners.												
		Offences.	Prisoners.	Offences.	Acquitted.	Withdrawn.	Total.	Offences.	Prisoners.		Death.	Transportation.	Imprisonment.	Flogged.	Fined.	Bound over to be of good behaviour.	Admonished and discharged.
Before the High Court ...	...	40	44	5	6	1	7	1	1	88	4	20	20	...	...	...	...
Before the Presidency Magistrates	1,219	28,830	30,235	5,191	2,288	4,862	7,150	22	36	93	...	...	3,027	50	*21,191	214	5,758
Total in 1884 ...	1,219	28,870	30,279	5,196	2,294	4,863	7,157	23	37	93	4	20	3,047	50	21,191	214	5,758
Total in 1883 ...	1,153	32,561	33,890	4,831	2,296	4,156	6,452	36	52	94	2	9	3,306	88	25,243	163	5,084
Increase ...	66	...	...	365	...	707	705	...	...	...	2	11	...	..	...	51	674
Decrease ...	...	3,691	3,611	...	2	...	...	13	15	1	...	...	259	38	4,052	...	...

*Including 97 persons as follows :—
,, 26 persons who were ordered to maintain their wives and children.
,, 20 seamen ordered to forfeit a portion of their wages.
,, 49 persons ordered to pay hack conveyance hire.
,, 2 persons ordered to pay compensation to defendants.

Bombay, Chief Presidency Magistrate's Court,
20th April 1885.

C. P. COOPER,
Chief Presidency Magistrate.

STATEMENT I.

Statement showing the way in which the Cases mentioned in the Statement A. came before the Court, and result of trial during the year 1884.

Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Committed to High Court.	Convicted.	RELEASED.			Percentage of Convictions.	REMARKS.
				Acquitted.	Withdrawn.	Total.		
Brought up by Executive or Town Police	*22,194	39	20,732	930	433	1,363	96	*This number includes 52 persons whose cases were undisposed of at the end of 1883, and also 37 persons under remand at the close of 1884. It also includes 19 prisoners who were transferred to the Courts of the Magistrates of Puna, Bhavnagar, Chiplún, Mangalore, Ahmedabad, Uran, Násik, Benares and Hyderabad, and the Political Agents at Rewa Kántha, Indore and Cutch, as also one prisoner who was sent to the Lunatic Asylum and two prisoners who died before trial.
Ditto by Water Police, Seamen's cases ..	167	...	148	15	4	19	91	
Ditto by Municipality ...	5,772	...	4,304	20	1,448	1,468	99	
Ditto by Summons, Warrants, &c.	9,362	11	5,051	1,323	2,977	4,300	79	
Total in 1884 ...	37,495	50	30,235	2,288	4,862	7,150	93	
Total in 1883 ...	40,394	45	33,855	2,280	4,150	6,430	94	
Increase ...	...	5	...	8	712	720	...	
Decrease ...	2,899	...	3,620	...	..	...	1	

Bombay, Chief Presidency Magistrate's Court,
20th April 1885.

C. P. COOPER,
Chief Presidency Magistrate.

STATEMENT J.

Statement showing the number of Persons re-convicted by the Presidency Magistrates, Bombay, and the Nature and Amount of Punishment inflicted from 1st January to 31st December 1884.

Serial Number.	Offences.	Re-convicted.				Fifteen Days and under.		Six Months and under.		Two Years and under.		Four Years and under.*		Remarks.
		Once.	More than once.	More than twice.	More than three times.	Rigorous.	Simple.	Rigorous.	Simple.	Rigorous.	Simple.	Rigorous.	Simple.	
1	House-breaking	6	3	1	6	...	...	4	...	12	...	...	...	
2	Robbery	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	
3	Theft	101	50	21	36	4	...	126	...	77	...	1	...	
4	Dishonestly receiving stolen property	3	2	...	...	...	...	3	...	2	...	...	...	
5	Criminal breach of trust ...	6	3	2	2	...	...	10	...	2	...	1	...	
6	Cheating	3	3	2	3	...	...	2	...	9	...	...	...	
7	Fraudulent possession of stolen property	11	6	3	8	5	...	23	...	...	...	...	...	
8	Being habitual thieves and found between sunset and sunrise loitering in public streets	1	6	10	21	2	...	†34	1	1	...	...	...	† Six persons were sentenced to imprisonment for failing to furnish sureties for their good behaviour.
9	Personating a public servant	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	
10	Voluntarily causing grievous hurt	...	1	...	1	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	
11	Voluntarily causing hurt...	4	2	1	8	1	...	14	...	...	...	...	...	
12	Assault	...	...	1	1	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	
13	Gambling	2	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	
14	Being drunk and incapable.	...	...	...	6	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
15	Attempting to throw ganja in the House of Correction	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
	Total ...	138	77	41	93	20	...	221	1	105	...	2	...	

*The prisoners in this column were on the same day convicted of more offences than one, and were sentenced to accumulated terms of imprisonment.

C. P. COOPER,
Chief Presidency Magistrate.

Bombay, Chief Presidency Magistrate's Court,
20th April 1885.

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Bombay Castle, 15th June 1885.

Letter from the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Bombay, No. 247, dated 20th April 1885—Forwards Statements A. to J. showing the state of crime in the city of Bombay during the year 1884.

Resolution.—The Annual Report on the state of crime in the city of Bombay has been forwarded to Government a month later than last year, and it is desired that no similar delay may occur in future.

2. There is a fairly satisfactory decrease shown in the number of persons charged in the Courts, which has fallen from 40,394 in the year 1883 to 37,495 in that under review. This more than counterbalances the increase in the number of offences noticed last year. The decrease is shown chiefly in offences against property, and against the public peace such as drunkenness, the commission of nuisances, &c. It is to be hoped that the very marked improvement in the direction of temperance may not prove only transient.

3. The only crime which seems to have been more than usually prevalent was that of assault. The figures for 1883 showed an increase of 310 cases of this nature over those of 1882, and now they have risen by 887. There has also been an increase in the number of persons charged under the Municipal and Hack Conveyance Acts; and that the prevention of cruelty to animals has received due attention is shown by the fact that there have been 356 more prosecutions for this purpose than in the preceding year. It is however a matter for regret that the number of cases of cruelty to animals remains so very high.

4. Though the number of thefts was much smaller than in 1883 the amount of stolen property was greater by Rs. 47,562-13-3 than in the previous year; but of this 51 per cent. was recovered against only 46 per cent. in the previous year.

5. The proportion of convictions in cases committed to the High Court has risen from 70 to 88 per cent. during the year under review, and that before Magistrates shows the nominal decrease of 1 per cent. from 94 to 93.

6. It is still noticeable that the number of convictions in cases of Criminal Breach of Trust and Cheating is very small, pointing, as has been remarked on previous occasions, to the prevalence of false and vexatious charges of these kinds. Of 424 persons who were on their trial on the former charge only 191 were convicted, and only 29 out of 123 prosecuted for cheating.

7. The following statement shows the communities to which the offenders belonged:—

Years.	Caste														
	Europeans.		Indo-Britons and Native Christians.		Hindus.		Mahomedans.		Pársis.		Others and Unknown.		Total.		Grand Total.
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	
1884..	843	19	1,149	45	20,195	1,956	10,986	681	905	106	547	59	34,625	2,866	37,491
1883..	937	17	1,303	71	21,733	2,348	11,550	818	1,099	52	392	74	37,014	3,380	40,394
Increase ..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	54	155	..	..	..	..
Decrease ..	94	..	154	26	1,538	392	564	137	194	..	..	15	2,389	514	2,903

The decrease in the number of Europeans is accounted for by the fewer number of cases of refusal of seamen to do duty on shipboard.

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There is rather an extraordinary increase of about 50 per cent. in the number of Pársi female offenders, who form more than one-tenth of the criminals in that community.

8. The number of prisoners re-convicted during the year was large, being 309 against 211 in 1883. The re-convictions for theft alone numbered 208. The punishments inflicted in these cases do not seem to have been very heavy, as 130 of them were of imprisonment for under 6 months. Whipping was apparently not resorted to in one such case.

9. In conclusion it may be remarked that the decrease in real crime noticed last year has continued, and that there is every reason to be satisfied with the result of the year's work done both by the Police and the Courts of the Presidency Magistrates.

10. Copies of this Resolution should be forwarded to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India and the Government of India. A copy should likewise be placed upon the Editors' Table.

(Signed) E. LAWRENCE,
Acting Under Secretary to Government.

To

The Chief Presidency Magistrate,
The Commissioner of Police, Bombay,
The Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay,
The General Department,
The Government of India,
The Under Secretary of State for India, } By letter.
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